

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q76525

Shingo YAMAUCHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/662,948

Group Art Unit: 3751

Confirmation No.: 1500

Examiner: Unassigned

Filed: September 16, 2003

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR OPTIMIZING BATCH PROCESS OF PREPARING  
SOLUTION

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated July 17, 2006. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1, 2 and 13-16 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 3-11, 12 and 17.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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